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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
)	Confirmation No.: 4653
Kenneth F. Buechler, et al.)	
)	Art Unit: 1641
Application No.: 09/712,615)	
)	Examiner: Lisa V. Cook
Filed: November 13, 2000)	
)	Customer No.: 021971
Title: METHODS FOR MONITORING THE)	
STATUS OF ASSAYS AND)	
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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Sir/Madam:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed February 20, 2008. Accompanying this paper are a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. Reconsideration is respectfully requested. This Amendment is submitted after the shortened statutory period for response, therefore an extension fee is required. The Applicants request an Extension of Time under § 1.136 extending the time for response to July 20, 2008.

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